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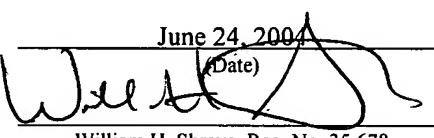
## PATENT

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Applicant : T. Okuyama  
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Filed : July 11, 2003  
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AND COMMUNICATION  
METHOD WITHIN THE  
NETWORK  
Examiner : Unknown  
Group Art Unit : 2661

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 with eight (8) references submitted pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 724.02 in a sealed envelope, which is properly labeled.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.
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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing eight references that are also enclosed.

Applicant's counsel has been notified that the National Marine Electronics Association considers the enclosed standard to be proprietary. Accordingly, the enclosed materials are submitted in accordance with the provision of M.P.E.P. § 724. Applicant, however, is not taking a position as to the confidential or proprietary nature of the materials by this submission.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). If the first Office action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,  
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)
	NMEA 2000; Standard for Serial Data Networking of Marine Electronic Devices; Main Document; Version 1.000, September 12, 2001; @NMEA 1999, 2000, 2001
	NMEA 2000; Standard for Serial Data Networking of Marine Electronic Devices; Appendix A; Version 1.000; September 12, 2001; @NMEA 1999, 2000, 2001
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	NMEA 2000; Standard for Serial Data Networking of Marine Electronic Devices; Appendix C; Version 1.000, September 12, 2001, @NMEA 1999, 2000, 2001
	NMEA 2000; Standard for Serial Data Networking of Marine Electronic Devices; Appendix D; Version 1.000, September 12, 2001, @NMEA 1999, 2000, 2001
	NMEA 2000; Standard for Serial Data Networking of Marine Electronic Devices; Appendix E; ISO 11783-5 Network Management
	NMEA 2000; Standard for Serial Data Networking of Marine Electronic Devices; Appendix F; ISO 11783-3 DataLink Layer
	NMEA 2000; Standard for Serial Data Networking of Marine Electronic Devices; Appendix G; ISO 11898 Controller Area Network

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